

**Amendments to the Specification:**

Please amend the paragraph starting at line 2 of page 1 as indicated:

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The present invention is related to the following co-pending U.S. applications:

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MULTIMEDIA INFORMATION COMPUTER SYSTEM AND METHOD OF OPERATION OF  
A PLAYLIST SCHEDULER, serial no. 09/420,802, filed on October 19, 1999, and assigned to the  
assignee of the present invention; METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR OPTIMIZATION OF  
DISTRIBUTION TO REDUCE STORAGE REQUIREMENTS IN A DIGITAL MEDIA  
DISTRIBUTOR, serial no. 09/524,082, assigned to the assignee of the present invention;  
METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR OBJECT RETRANSMISSION WITHOUT A CONTINUOUS  
NETWORK CONNECTION IN A DIGITAL MEDIA DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM, serial no.  
09/773,047, assigned to the assignee of the present invention; and METHOD AND  
SYSTEM FOR ENSURING RELIABLE PLAYOUT IN A DMD SYSTEM, serial no. 09/523,827,  
assigned to the assignee of the present invention.

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